

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:
receiving, in a client, a file including both a network policy, and also including a specification for translating the network policy from a first schema to a second, different schema, the file being the same file that is received by at least plural other clients within a network system;
translating the network policy, in the client, into the second different schema based on the specification; and
configuring [[a]] the network system based on the translated policy.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the network policy is represented in Markup Language which uses tags.

- 3-4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently amended) An article comprising a machine-readable medium which stores machine-executable instructions for checking events performed by a device, the instructions causing a machine to:

receive, in a client, a file including both a network policy, and also including a specification for translating a policy from a first schema to a second different schema, the file being the same file received by at least plural other clients in a network system;

translate the network policy into the second different schema based on the specification; and

configure [[a]] the network system based on the translated policy.

6. (Original) The article of claim 5 wherein the network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet Language.

7-8. (Canceled).

9. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:
a memory which stores computer readable instructions; and
a processor which executes the computer readable
instructions to:
receive in a client, a file including both a network policy
and also including a specification for translating a policy
from a first schema to a second, different schema, the file
being the same file received by at least plural other
clients in a network system;
translate the network policy into the second different
schema based on the specification; and
configure [[a]] the network system based on the translated
policy.

10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 9 wherein the
network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and
the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet
Language.

11-12. (Canceled).

13. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

sending a network policy to a client computer;

said network policy being for configuring a network system according to a first schema;

sending a specification for translating the network policy to the client computer;

said specification being for translating the network policy from the first schema to a second different schema;

said network policy and said specification being sent in a file, the file being the same file received by at least plural other clients in a network system;

receiving an indication that the client computer cannot translate the network policy;

translating the network policy into the second different schema based on the specification in response to said receiving;

and

after said translating, sending the translated network policy to a client computer.

14. (Canceled).

15. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet Language.

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13 wherein the network policy and the specification are stored in the same file.

17. (Currently amended) An article comprising a computer-readable medium which stores computer-executable instructions for checking events performed by a device, the instructions causing a machine to:

send the network policy for configuring a network system according to a first schema to plural clients in the network system, including at least a first [[the]] client computer;

send a specification for translating the network policy from the first schema to a second different schema to the first client computer;

said network policy and said specification being sent in a file, the file being the same file received by at least said plural clients in the network system;

receive an indication that the client computer cannot translate the network policy;

translate the network policy into the second different schema based on the specification in response to said received indication; and

send a translated network policy to [[a]] the first client computer.

18. (Canceled).

19. (Original) The article of claim 17 wherein the network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet Language.

20. (Previously presented) The article of claim 17 wherein the network policy and the specification are stored in the same file.

21. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:
a memory which stores computer readable instructions;
a processor which executes the computer readable instructions to:
send a network policy for configuring a network system according to a first schema to a client computer;
send the specification for translating the network policy from the first schema to a second different schema to the client computer;
said network policy and said specification being sent in a file, the file being the same file received by all clients in a network;
receive an indication that the client computer cannot translate the network policy;

translate the network policy into the second different

schema based on the specification; and

send a translated network policy to a client computer.

22. (Canceled).

23. (Original) The apparatus of claim 21 wherein the network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet Language.

24. (Original) The apparatus of claim 21 wherein the network policy and the specification are stored in one file.

25. (Currently amended) A method of configuring a network comprising:

transmitting a file that includes both network policy according to a first schema and a specification for translating the network policy from the first schema to a second different schema from a server, said transmitting comprising transmitting the file to all clients in a network;

receiving the network policy and the specification on a first client computer;

translating on the client computer the network policy from the first schema to the second different schema using the specification; and

configuring the network system on the first client computer using on the translated network policy.

26. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25 further comprising:

receiving the network policy on a second client computer;
and

configuring the network system on the second client computer using the network policy.

27. (Original) The method of claim 25 further comprising:
receiving the network policy on a third client computer;
transmitting to the server an indication that the third client computer cannot translate the network policy;

translating on the server the network policy from the first schema to the second different schema using the specification;
and

transmitting the translated network policy to the third client computer.

28. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein the network policy is represented in eXtensible Markup Language and the specification is represented in eXtensible Stylesheet Language.

29. (Canceled).

30. (Withdrawn) A method of creating a file for configuring a network system comprising:
adding network data to the file; and
adding a specification for translating the network data from a first schema to a second schema.

31. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the network policy received in the client includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy that is received in the file, and wherein the specification for translating includes information for translating the network policy from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

32. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used and the second schema, and information about how to translate the network policy to use said different kind of encryption.

33. (Previously presented) An article as in claim 5, wherein the network policy includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy that is received in the file, and wherein said specification for translating includes information for translating the network policy that is received in the file from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

34. (Previously presented) An article as in claim 5, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used in the second schema, and information about how to translate the network policy to use said different kind of encryption, and wherein said translate comprises translating the network policy including changing the kind of encryption that it uses.

35. (Previously presented) An apparatus as in claim 9, wherein said processor receives in said file, the network policy that includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy in the file, and said specification, wherein said specification includes information for translating the network policy that is received in the file from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

36. (Previously presented) An apparatus as in claim 9, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used in the seconds schema, and wherein said processor operates to translate the network policy including changing the kind of encryption that is used.

37. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 13, wherein the network policy received in the client includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy that is received in the file, and wherein the specification for translating includes information for translating the network policy from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

38. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 13, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used and the second schema, and information about how to translate the network policy to use said different kind of encryption.

39. (Previously presented) An article as in claim 17, wherein the network policy includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy that is received in

the file, and wherein said specification for translating includes information for translating the network policy that is received in the file from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

40. (Previously presented) An article as in claim 17, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used in the second schema, and information about how to translate the network policy to use said different kind of encryption, and wherein said translate comprises translating the network policy including changing the kind of encryption that it uses.

41. (Previously presented) An apparatus as in claim 21, wherein said processor receives in said file, the network policy that includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy in the file, and said specification, wherein said specification includes information for translating the network policy that is received in the file from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

42. (Previously presented) An apparatus as in claim 21, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used in the

seconds schema, and wherein said processor operates to translate the network policy including changing the kind of encryption that is used.

43. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 25, wherein the network policy received in the client includes an indicia that represents a first version number of the network policy that is received in the file, and wherein the specification for translating includes information for translating the network policy from said first version number to a second version number different than the first version number.

44. (Previously presented) A method as in claim 25, wherein said specification for translating includes information indicative of a different kind of encryption that is used and the second schema, and information about how to translate the network policy to use said different kind of encryption.